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SUBJECT: EVACUATION

1. ASIDE FROM AMERICANS REQUIRING EVACUATION FROM NORTH COAST, WE HAVE A NUMBER OF CYPRIOTS AND THIRD NATIONALS WHOM WE WISH TO EVACUATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING U.S. POLICY. THESE EMPLOYEES HAVE LANGUAGE SKILLS WHICH WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT TO REPLACE AND IT IS TO U.S. AND UK INTEREST THAT THEY BE RETAINED.

2. DIFFICULT QUESTION RELATES TO TURK AND GREEK CYPRIOTS AMONG THIS GROUP. THERE ARE ELEVEN OF THESE AT KARAVAS AND EIGHTEEN AT THE FINNISH CONTINGENT CAMP AT CHICLOS. WE HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH BRITISH HICOM, AND WE BELIEVE IT INTENDS ON INFORMAL BASIS TO ALLOW THESE CYPRIOTS ON ITS HELICOPTERS, BUT FORMAL AUTHORIZATION FROM FCO WOULD BE HELPFUL, I BELIEVE.

3. IF FCO CONCURS, IMMEDIATE AUTHORIZATION SHOULD BE PASSED TO UK HICOM AND UK MILITARY AUTHORITIES RESPONSIBLE
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FOR EVACUATION.

4. AS TO THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS, UK HICOM HAS TOLD US THAT NORTH COAST EVACUATION WOULD PICK UP ALL SUCH NATIONALS WITHOUT DISTINCTION AS TO NATIONALITY. ONE GROUP OF FBIS THIRD NATIONALS TELEPHONED THAT THEY WERE TOLD BRITISH WOULD NOT RPT NOT EVACUATE THEM. WE SUSPECT THIS MAY BE LOCAL MISUNDERSTANDING AND HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH UK HICOM HERE. WOULD PERHAPS BE ADVISABLE FOR FCO TO INCLUDE AUTHORIZATION FOR ALL THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS WITH ITS AUTHORIZATION CONCERNING CYPRIOTS (PARA 2 ABOVE).
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